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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of: |) | |
| | : | Examiner: Yogesh K. Aggarwal |
| TORU KOIZUMI |) | |
| | : | Art Unit: 2622 |
| Application No.: 09/678,296 |) | |
| | : | Conf. No.: 5740 |
| Filed: October 3, 2000 |) | |
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| For: SOLID IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE, |) | |
| IMAGE PICKUP SYSTEM AND | : | |
| METHOD OF DRIVING SOLID |) | |
| IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE | : | September 7, 2007 |

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to continued examination on the merits, a Request for Continued Examination being filed herewith, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner amend the above-identified application as follows. The amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing that begins on page 2, and the Remarks begin on page 6.